## News Release



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## Portion of Burney Falls Loop Trail Closed for Improvements

A portion of the Burney Falls Loop Trail and the Falls Overlook at McArthur-Burney Falls Memorial State Park will be closed from May through the fall of 2010. This closure will take place throughout the summer while necessary improvements are made to the switchbacks that lead to the falls. Access to views of the falls and the bottom of the falls is available along the newly improved section of the Falls Loop Trail (3/4 mile moderate one-way hike on the west side of Burney Creek) and the Burney Creek Trail (1.5 mile gentle one-way hike from Lake Britton to the base of Burney Falls). Maps are available at the park entrance station, the park visitor center, or online at www.parks.ca.gov. "Every 20 years, the Burney Falls Loop Trail requires maintenance repairs that can only be accomplished during the short summer season. This trail is visited by hundreds of thousands of visitors a year, and continues to be one of the most popular destinations within California State Parks," explained Heidi Horvitz, Cascade Sector Superintendent, California State Parks.

The park is open year around for visitors to enjoy camping, hiking, fishing, and viewing the unique falls, once described by President Theodore Roosevelt to be the eighth wonder of the world.

McArthur-Burney Falls Memorial State Park is located on Highway 89, sixty-five miles east of Redding. For further information, contact park staff at (530) 335-2777.

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